

REMARKS

Claims 1 and 5 have been amended. No new matter has been added. Claims 1-7 are pending.

In the Office Action, claims 1-7 were rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as anticipated by McEldowney (U.S. Patent No. 5,755,134). Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.

To anticipate a claim, the reference must teach every element of the claimed invention. *MPEP* 2131. Regarding claims 1 and 5, McEldowney does not disclose a drawing method for forming a reflective curved surface of a converging mirror. McEldowney also does not disclose a compressed border portion as claimed. The Examiner incorrectly refers to M and FIG. 3D of McEldowney as disclosing a compressed border portion. McEldowney states, at column 6, lines 39-64, that M is the clearance between fixed die 86 and moveable die 102, not a compressed border portion. There is no disclosure of any compression of metal plate 12 that is placed between the dies. Further, FIG. 3D does not show any compression of metal plate 12. Certainly, disclosing a clearance between two dies does not also disclose compression of a metal plate placed therebetween. Thus, the Examiner has not established a case of anticipation, and the rejection of claims 1 and 5 must be withdrawn.

Claims 2-4 depend from claim 1 and are therefore allowable for at least the same reasons. Claims 6 and 7 depend from claim 5 and are therefore allowable for at least the same reasons.


Each of the pending claims in this application is in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue. If it is determined that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

In the event the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicants petition for any required relief including extensions of time

and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 03-1952 referencing Attorney Docket No. 325772033800.

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